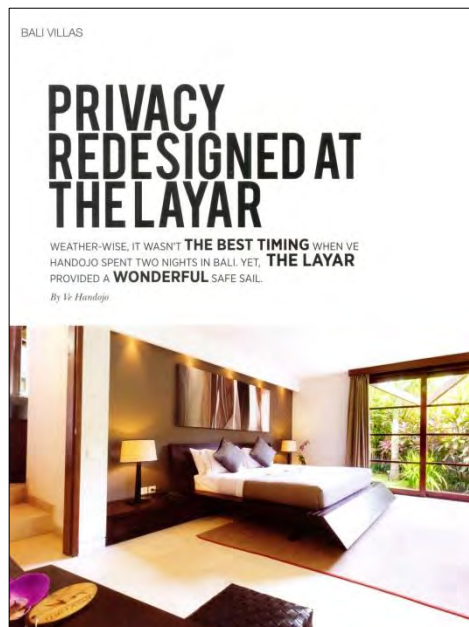


FRV TRAVEL – THE LAYAR DESIGNER VILLAS & SPA

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PRIVACY REDESIGNED AT THE LAYAR

Weather-wise, it wasn't the best timing when Ve Handojo spent two nights in Bali. Yet The Layar provided a wonderful safe sail.

The sail-like roofs over the open plan living area of our three-bedroom villa were the first “wow”. Then came the fun of choosing the bedrooms. The one that directly faced the private pool and garden was slightly smaller than the rest, but — what a view! The main bedroom was a few steps down from the living area, and it's big enough for a couple of back rolls. I couldn't tell whether the third bedroom was

actually smaller or not. The fact is, each one of them has an extra-large bathroom area with pretty bathtubs, outdoor showers and twin vanities.

The public area is no less generous. Couches, couches, couches, everywhere, plus a round dining table to fit six ... and more couches, couches, couches to watch TV on. We could also have done a little ballet inside the massive, fully equipped kitchen.

The elevated garden and public areas are surrounded by greenery and trees, thus maintaining high privacy without making residents feel imprisoned inside any walls. It does feel like staying in an individual villa instead of a cluster of 22. Yet, butlers are a only phone call away. The whole complex itself shies away from the public sight, appearing only as a simple gateway near the main street of Petitenget. It does feel like escaping to a secluded part of Bali with the Seminyak strip just a few minutes away.

The design was created by GM Architects with villas ranging from 450sqm to 750sqm and this has positioned The Layar at a level above the rest in this strategic area. There are eleven three- bedrooms villas, and one four, while the rest have one or two bedrooms. The Layar also makes sure that modern travellers can stay connected while keeping away from the crowds; WiFi is fast with no additional charge.

The frolicking splash in the curvy swimming pool was continued with a warm dip in the outdoor Jacuzzi. As Bali's weather at the end of the year got less friendly, we quickly found our shelter under the roofs. The Layar provided a safe sail over that stormy evening when we stayed there. And as an investment, The Layar's villas - the design, the location - would guarantee a secure journey as well.

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